



Tacoma Pierce County Coalition to End Homelessness

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Friday Coalition Meeting – March 3, 2023

9 a.m. - Welcome message

Purpose: Ask new people joining us to introduce themselves, and center those attending on the task before us.

- Rosemary Powers, New Connections, rpowers@eou.edu

9:10 a.m. - This Week on the Streets

Purpose: An update about what outreach teams are seeing on the streets this week, as well as discussion of sweeps, community meetings, and other related items.

- All

9:20 a.m. - Need and Share

Purpose: What inclement weather supplies do you have to share or need for your work?

- All

9:25 a.m. - Community spotlight: FUSION

Purpose: Learn about how the services FUSION provides in South King County and Northeast Tacoma.

- Melinda Lowe, FUSION, Melinda.lowe@fusionoffederalway.org

9:30 a.m. - TPCHD project on medical responses to homelessness

Purpose: Hear a brief overview of this project and what it hopes to accomplish.

- Isiah Cocroft, Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department, icocroft@tpchd.org
- Sally Perkins, sally@practicalsolutionstacoma.com

9:35 a.m. - Medicaid issues in Washington

Purpose: Better understand what the new issue is and how we can help ensure people stay connected with their benefits.

- Christine Lindquist, Christine.lindquist@ymail.com

9:40 a.m. - Rise in food insecurity with benefit cuts

Purpose: Understand how national food program benefit reductions are likely to impact our community.

- Kerri Hill

9:45 a.m. - Breakout review of our previous discussion

Purpose: Review what people shared in the last breakout discussion in an effort to build knowledge and move the work forward.



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- Timothy Harris, Dignity City, director@dignitycity.org

9:50 a.m. - Breakout: What are the likely impacts of the ending pandemic supports in our community? What keeps you going in the face of what can feel like tough news so often?

Purpose: Networking and an opportunity to share thoughts on today's topic, with one person in each breakout room taking notes to share in the chat in the main room.

- All

10:05 a.m. - Government Updates

Purpose: Understand current efforts underway.

- Caleb Carbone, City of Tacoma, ccarbone@cityoftacoma.org
- Jeff Rodgers, Pierce County Human Services, Jeff.rodgers@piercecountywa.org
- Jennie Schoeppe, Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department, jschoeppe@tpchd.org
- Isiah Cocroft, Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department, icocroft@tpchd.org
- Jody Ferguson, Pierce County Emergency Management, jody.ferguson@piercecountywa.gov

10:15 a.m. - Pierce County Comprehensive Plan to End Homelessness Update

Purpose: Hear the latest about work on the Comprehensive Plan.

- Rob Huff, Washington Low Income Housing Alliance, robh@wliha.org

10:20 a.m. - Advocacy Updates

Purpose: Tips for how to engage with advocacy at the state level, as well as opportunities at the local level.

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10:30 a.m. - Safe Sites for All Update

Purpose: Understand the status of the effort to create safe parking and Safe Sites for All across Pierce County.

- Janet Runbeck, janetrunbeck@gmail.com

10:35 a.m. - Committee Updates

Purpose: Hear any critical updates from Coalition committees.

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10:40 a.m. - Good Trouble Announcements

Purpose: Share what folks are working on that would be amplified by sharing with the full Coalition.

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10:45 a.m. - Success stories

Purpose: A space for people to share success stories from across the community.

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